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## SCHOOL FOR DAIRY AND CREAMERY MEN

Missouri College of Agriculture Has Special Short Course in Dairying.

Columbia, Mo., Nov. 30.—A course which will prepare a man for a position in any kind of dairy work will open January 4 at the University of Missouri. It is a special short course in dairying to last seven weeks. It will cover every phase of the work. The efficiency of the instruction given is shown by the fact that almost all of the men who have taken the course in the past are doing dairy work now. Some are managers of private dairies, some are testers in cow testing associations, some are buttermakers in creameries and others are makers of ice cream. Men who studied dairying in this course have taken the highest prizes in the Educational Butter Scoring Contest held at Columbia.

The course has classes in receiving, handling, grading, testing and pasteurization of milk. Theory and practice of churning, the study of the factors influencing overrun, moisture and percentages, the making of ice cream, and marketing are other subjects studied. The student is also given a chance to study the production side of dairying. He is taught the care, handling and feeding of the dairy herd.

At the University of Missouri the student gets his instruction in dairying under actual working conditions. He spends half of his time practicing the best dairy methods in the best managed dairy in the state.

P. M. Brandt, superintendent of the short courses will send out announcements giving cost of board, fees and other information to any one who writes to him.

## COWHERD DECLINES TO BECOME POSTMASTER

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 1.—W. S. Cowherd, on his return from Chicago this morning, confirmed the fact that the postmastership at Kansas City had been offered to him, but said he would decline and would a telegram to

that effect today to Postmaster-General Burleson.

"There is no office in the United States I would have," said Cowherd, "and certainly not the Kansas City postmastership. I appreciate the personal regard in which Mr. Burleson held me and which prompted this offer. It undoubtedly grew out of the friendship between us when we served together in the House, a friendship I am proud still to possess."

Cowherd's declination leaves the matter where it has been since the resignation last spring of J. R. Harris, Republican incumbent. Harris is still serving as Postmaster.

## SQUIRREL BECOMES POCKET PET

Because A. A. Blum, a local artist, once ministered to a small squirrel when its foot was hurt, the animal, after five months, refuses to be parted from its benefactor, and now practically lives in one of the pockets of Blum's coat.

About five months ago in Waltham the baby squirrel fell and was hurt. A friend of Blum's turned the little animal over to him in its injured state, and he nursed it back to health.

Since that time the squirrel has been given frequent opportunities of returning to the haunts of its parents, but persistently declines to go. In Pullman cars, hotels, on the street, in fact, everywhere, the squirrel curls itself in Mr. Blum's pocket and nibbles away at the toothsome nuts always to be found there.

## CLUB ELECTION DECEMBER 4

On Friday evening, December 4, there will be a meeting of the Commercial Club at which time the annual election of officers will be held.

It is important that all members be present at this meeting to aid in the selection of the officers.

Barney Kraft returned yesterday from a trip through Oklahoma.

Ed. Massengill returned yesterday afternoon from a business trip to St. Louis.

## MAN IS BURIED IN GROUND BY BIG STEEL WHEEL

William David's Legs Are Pierced by Nails Which Pinion Him to Earth

## COWORKER RESCUES WORKMAN FROM DEATH

Takes Heavy Machinery From Helpless Victim Who May Be Internally Injured.

William David, a machinist employed at the shops of Erlbacher & Feldoff on North Main street, was crushed beneath a large gear wheel yesterday afternoon while engaged in taking an engine to pieces.

The wheel weighs about 700 pounds and when he and William Crocker, another mechanic, attempted to move it from the position in which it was standing, one of them stumbled and the heavy mass toppled over against David, bearing him to the ground.

He fell across a board and a number of large nails which protruded through it were forced their full length into the calf of his leg.

Mr. Crocker, who barely escaped being caught, hurried to the rescue of the imprisoned workman, and unsustained lifted the wheel from the prostrate body.

David was conveyed to his home at the corner of Merriweather and Ellis street, where he was attended by a physician.

No bones were broken, but he was badly bruised, and it is feared that he sustained internal injuries.

His legs were badly lacerated by the nails which were forcibly withdrawn after the heavy weight had been taken from his body.

## A COMPARISON OF WARS AND DISASTERS

It is popularly supposed that the ravages of war are the most fatal of the mishaps that can happen to the human race, but cold figures show that the deaths resulting from a war are insignificant when compared with the results of earthquakes and tidal waves, and that these, as terrible as they may appear, so to speak, cause but a mere ripple over the mighty population of the world.

Terrible as are the ravages of war, they are far surpassed by some other disasters which from time to time overwhelm the human race. The Franco-Prussian War killed about 130,000 in seven months. The death roll of the Russo-Japanese reached about 200,000. A single earthquake (1737, in India) has been estimated to have caused 300,000 deaths. The fatalities of the Messina earthquake in 1908 cannot have been far short of 100,000. A tidal wave in 1896, drowned 27,000 persons in Japan, causing a greater loss of life than the whole war with China in 1894. The earthquake in Japan in 1703 is said to have killed 200,000 people. The Lisbon earthquake in 1755 destroyed 50,000 human lives, while 40,000 were lost in the same year in earthquakes in Persia.

Terrible as such disasters are, they pass over the multitudes of the human population of our globe as the merest ripples on a mighty sea. The total population of the earth is somewhere about 1,800,000,000. Annually they are added to it 14,000,000 souls. Every year at least 80,000,000 are born, and 60,000,000 or 70,000,000 die. This means a daily birth rate of about 220,000, a death rate of 180,000. The daily increase in population is 40,000.

## ELECTED PRESIDENT BUT CAN'T GET THE OFFICE

Opposition in San Domingo Refuses to Give Oath to Juan J. Jimenez.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Although Juan J. Jimenez has been elected President of the Dominican republic by a majority of both the popular and elector vote, he is unable to take the oath of office before Congress. The opposition controlling Congress refuses to hold a session.

This information reaching the State Department yesterday, caused officials to feel somewhat doubtful over the situation in the island republic. The commission sent by this Government to help arrange for the election reported to Secretary Bryan last week that it had been the most successful ever held in the republic.

A regiment of American marines aboard the transport Hancock was held at Port au Prince during the Haitian revolution and until the election was held. The Hancock is now in Dominican waters.

## FOREST FIRES EXTINGUISHED BY LONG RAIN

Blaze Extending From Within Few Miles of Cape Down Into Arkansas Subdued.

## DAMAGE TO FARMERS REPORTED AT MILLIONS

Great Loss to Valuable Lumber, Fences and Homes by Flames.

The continued rain of yesterday, which fell for twenty-four hours throughout Southeast Missouri and Northern Arkansas, extinguished the forest fires which have been sweeping over an enormous area of land in this state and in Arkansas.

Two hours after the rain began falling in Cape Girardeau, the crisp odor of burning wood and the cloud of smoke began to wane. Late in the evening, the rain slackened and a stiff breeze from the north clarified the atmosphere once more.

Dispatches from within a few miles to the south of Cape Girardeau down to a short distance north of Little Rock, tell of tremendous losses due to the forest fire. Even so far as (homa there have been great damages sustained by the fires, which in that section of the country assumed the proportions of prairie blazes.

A territory probably five hundred miles wide has been in an almost eclipse during the past week. In some cases the atmosphere has been so surcharged with smoke as to obscure the sun. This condition prevailed in Cape Girardeau two days during the week.

The fires destroyed millions of dollars of valuable timber and the loss in this state was exceedingly large. Farmers in many communities worked all week in desperate efforts to save their fences, their homes and their crops from the ravages of the flames.

Railroad crews fought during the whole week to save bridges and trestles that form a part of the various lines traversing this section of the state.

A dispatch from Pine Bluff, Ark., which is almost the southern limits of the forest fire, says:

Rain, which began falling shortly before noon Friday over all the southern part of Arkansas, is looked forward to as the beginning of the end of the forest fires which have been raging for more than ten days. The Weather Bureau here declared that a sudden movement of the storm clouds, which have been hanging over Texas, has brought relief to almost all the southern half of the state, where the fires have been most numerous.

Because of the threatened destruction of game and wild fowl by the fires, Federal Game Warden Visart went to Forrest City to investigate conditions in the eastern part of the state. Deer, grouse, quail, duck and other game have been driven from their haunts by the flames, which are sweeping over the timbered areas. It was intimated that the United States Government authorities would be asked to employ settlers and unemployed men to assist in checking the flames.

The State Penal Farm at Cummins, Ark., is surrounded by forest fires, according to T. P. Murrey, penitentiary commissioner, but the 1500 prisoners there have been for two days clearing away the timber on land adjoining the farm and it is believed the penitentiary is in no danger.

Fires in the vicinity of Jonesboro are the worst in years, according to W. O. Trout, editor of a newspaper there. Between Little Rock and Jonesboro, Mr. Trout said, there is almost a continuous string of fires. Miles of fences and telephone poles and scores of barns have been consumed. This was the tenth day on which the sun has been obscured entirely in Little Rock by dense clouds of smoke overhanging the city.

The most serious individual losses yet reported as a result of the fires occurred at Helena last night, when sparks set fire to the Central Distilling Company plant and the Dining Furniture Company. Both were destroyed with a loss of \$150,000.

## MRS. R. G. DENNIS BURIED

The body of Mrs. R. G. Dennis who died in St. Louis Friday morning, was brought to this city yesterday on the noon train.

The funeral services were held at the Episcopal church and were attended by many friends of the deceased.

The burial took place at the new city cemetery.

## H. C. WASEM IS STRICKEN AS HE LEAVES STORE

Well Known Druggist Suffers Gastric Hemorrhage and Condition is Serious.

## POLICEMAN AND MAIL CARRIER ASSIST HIM

Pick Ill Man up From Pavement and Carry Him Into Store.

H. C. Wasem, the well-known druggist was stricken while walking in front of his store on Good Hope street yesterday afternoon at about 5 o'clock and fell unconscious to the pavement.

He was carried into his store by Officer Jeff Hutson and Mr. Allen, a letter carrier, who were standing a few feet from him.

Dr. Paul R. Williams, who offices in the Wasem Drug Store, administered restoratives, and in a short time Mr. Wasem regained consciousness. As soon as his condition would permit he was conveyed to the St. Francis Hospital.

Mr. Wasem has been a chronic sufferer with stomach trouble, and for the past few days had been complaining of his condition. His sudden collapse was due to gastric hemorrhage.

More than a year ago he underwent an operation in a Cairo hospital, and his physician states that yesterday's developments were but a recurrence of his old disorder.

The hemorrhage continued for some time after he was carried into his place of business, and when finally checked, and he was sufficiently revived to talk, he stated that he had started to his home about three blocks away but had gone but a short distance when he felt himself growing very weak and he realized that he would not be able to make the trip.

He turned and started back to his store, but collapsed before he could reach the door.

Officer Hutson, who noticed that Mr. Wasem was pale, started towards him when the druggist fell backward to the concrete walk. Mr. Hutson said the fall was very severe, and that the back of his head seemed to strike heavily.

At a late hour his physician stated that he was resting. He is now under the constant care of a nurse.

## INCREASE OF \$3,105,300 IN ARMY TO BE ASKED

Washington, Dec. 1.—Appropriations aggregating \$104,124,512 to carry the army through the coming year, are proposed in estimates which the War Department has just completed for submission to Congress. This is an increase of \$3,105,300 over the total carried by the army bill for the current year.

A new item of \$150,000 for the purchase of automatic machine rifles is asked. Altogether \$2,900,000 is sought for ammunition.

The estimates of the navy exceed last year's total of \$145,000,000 by about \$1,000,000.

## TRUSTS HAVE A GUARD

Andrew Jackson's Picture on Criticized Reserve Bank Notes.

Washington, Dec. 1.—"There may be a binder made by the Harvester Trust on the reverse side of the new \$10 Federal reserve note," said Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Malburn today, "and there may be a picture of the Illinois steel works, both of which concerns the Government has been investigating, but you will notice that on the other side we have an old gentleman, a real Democrat, too, in the presence of Andrew Jackson. There will be no danger from either of these trusts as long as Jackson stands guard over them."

This comment of Malburn was the result of some criticism heard in Wall street about the makeup of the new \$10 Federal note.

## 18 INCH SNOW IN MANITOBA

Winnipeg, Dec. 1.—From Portage La Prairie, Manitoba, to Kenora, Ontario, the heaviest snowstorm of the season raged last night and this afternoon gave no signs of abating. 18 inches of snow has fallen in this city, impeding traffic.

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## PRODUCER-TO-CONSUMER EXPRESS SYSTEM STARTED

Large Company Operates plan Like One Government is Trying Out.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—The producer-to-consumer plan was put in effect today by one of the biggest express companies.

Instructions were issued appointing a chief of a special department to expedite the movement of farm produce to the consumer, and notices to co-operate were sent to 10,000 agents of the company scattered throughout the country.

The corporation expects to make no profit out of the business except such as comes with increased business. A somewhat similar plan is being inaugurated by the Postoffice Department by means of the parcel post.

## VILLA ENTERS MEXICO CITY WITH SEVERAL THOUSAND MEN

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 1.—A delayed official dispatch received this afternoon announced the arrival of Gen. Francisco Villa with an escort of several thousand of troops in Mexico City late Monday evening. His first official act was to call the foreign diplomats together and to assure them that he would preserve order and protect the lives and property of all foreigners. Provisional President Gutierrez has not yet arrived.

Gen. Zapata has appointed Camelo Arriaga as his diplomatic agent to Washington.

## THOUGHT OF MOVING NEARLY KILLS WOMAN

Finds Husband Had Changed Her Residence During Absence and She Collapses.

Mrs. Joseph Jackson, who with her husband has been rooming at the home of Mrs. Anna David, at 327 S. Frederick street, was stricken with heart failure yesterday afternoon at about 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Jackson had just returned from St. Genevieve where she had been visiting her parents, and when she arrived at her home and found that her husband had moved during her absence, she was overcome by the slight shock and fell unconscious to the floor.

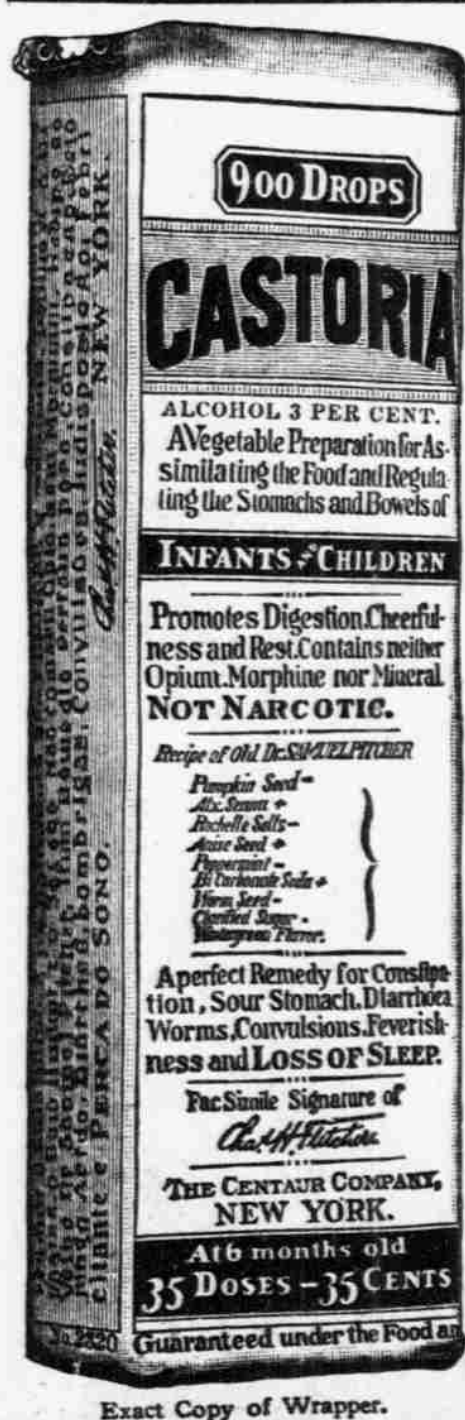
She was revived after considerable effort, and conveyed by her husband to the new quarters he had provided in her absence.

She is afflicted with an organic heart trouble and had previously suffered similar attacks.

## FRISCO RECEIVERS ARE LIABLE

Washington, Nov. 29.—Receivers of railroads must obey the Federal livestock quarantine law, although it does not expressly mention them. In so holding, the Supreme Court today reversed the Federal Court for Western Missouri in a case involving the receivers of the Frisco system.

Roda Williams, a negro, was tried in Judge Willer's court yesterday morning for whipping a negro named Marie Prim, and was sentenced to serve ten days in jail.



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